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Please reply before November the eighth  
to Waldo G. Leland, Executive Secretary  
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5th November, 1928

Mr. Waldo G. Leland,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Leland:

I have delayed answering the invitation to attend the dinner of the American Council of Learned Societies, to be given November 13th. I find I will not be able to make this, although I would very much like to attend.

Very truly yours,



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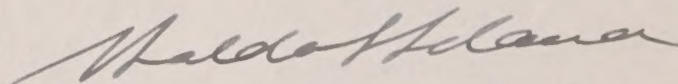
My dear Wood:

I have been meaning for some time to write to you to express my pleasure at the entrance of the Numismatic Society into the group of this Council and to express the hope that the acquaintance that was suspended when we graduated from Brown in 1900 may now be renewed. This will give me great pleasure and I plan as soon as possible to drop in on you at the Society's rooms. This probably can not be until autumn, however, since I am sailing on May 12.

Another occasion for writing this letter is to speak of a Mr. Fouad Bushakra, who called on me yesterday with respect to an archaeological site that he has discovered in a vineyard belonging to his nephew not far from Damascus. He showed me several coins which he had picked up, some of which are clearly Hellenic, one of which is Dutch of the 17th century but of course I was able to tell him nothing about them. I ventured to suggest that he should some time call on you at the Society and show you the coins and I imagine he will do so some time in the near future. If he does I shall be grateful for such attention as you may be able to give him.

Mr. Bushakra is an Arabian and a naturalized citizen. He lives at 132 Second Avenue, Newark, New Jersey. He says that he is a close friend of Professor Hitti of Princeton and seems also to be acquainted with other scholars but I know nothing of him beyond a brief call yesterday.

Very sincerely yours,



Waldo G. Leland  
 Permanent Secretary

Mr. Howland Wood  
 American Numismatic Society  
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 New York, New York



April 21, 1937

Mr. Waldo G. Leland,  
American Council of Learned Societies,  
907 Fifteenth St.,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Leland:

Like you I have been meaning to write to you for a long while but letter writing somehow takes a subordinate place to my regular work. There are so many letters that require answering that by the time I get through these I feel more or less done up.

Mr. Bushakra was in this afternoon. I had a long talk with him and so did Mr. Newell. We possibly will come to some understanding with him in case he finds any worth while coins when he goes back to Syria.

I get around to about all the five year reunions at Brown and let it go at that. You better start in on the 40th. Each time we get nearer the head of the line when we march down the hill and in the Brown Alumni magazine the notes on the Class of 1900 get nearer to the top of the list.

If ever you do get a chance I wish you would drop in to our Museum. We really have quite a layout here.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks



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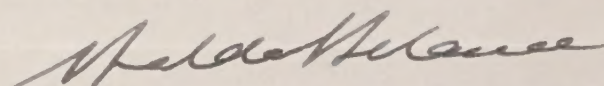
Thank you for your note of April 21.

I am very glad that Mr. Bushakra has been able to have a talk with you, and while I know nothing about him, it may be that he has interesting information.

I shall certainly try to be at our fortieth reunion, though the five-year one seemed to be especially hard for me to attend. Since I have been a member of the Board of Fellows, however, I have managed to get back much more frequently than in the past, and am regretting that I cannot be there this year to see how the new President is taking hold.

I shall certainly be stopping in at the Museum some time this autumn.

Most sincerely yours,



Waldo G. Leland.

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